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TRANSIENT NOTICES, FIFTY-CENTS FOR EIGHT LINES, EACH INSERTION. FOR LARGER SPACE AND PERMANENT RATES, APPLY AS ABOVE.

The Republicans of Essex county are pleased with the selection of Mr. Samuel Toombs, of Orange, as Clerk of the Assembly. Mr. Toombs has been an earnest and efficient worker in the party for many years and has contributed in no small degree to their success in recent years. Moreover, he is well fitted to discharge the duties of the office to which he has been chosen.

The latest information we have received in regard to the condition of Mr. Chabrier Peloubet, is to the effect that he is improving, and that his recovery may be looked for. This will be a great satisfaction to all the people in Bloomfield, for though Mr. Peloubet is somewhat advanced in years, his public spirit and active interest in local affairs has not abated and his usefulness will only end with his life.

PRESIDENT SCHENCK has made an announcement of the Committees of the Senate, and in so doing has thrown some light upon the arrangement which secured him the votes of Democratic Senators. The Judiciary and Riparian Committees are practically constructed in the interests of Governor Abbott, and will probably insure the confirmation of his judicial nominations, and also that of Hon. Miles Ross as Riparian Commissioner.

The project of extending a branch of the New York and Greenwood Lake Railroad to Morristown, via Caldwell, is again revived, and with some show of success. In natural beauty, Caldwell township is the most attractive portion of Essex county, and with good railroad facilities it would rapidly fill up with residents doing business in New York city. The State records show that, in the matter of healthfulness, Caldwell surpasses any township in the county.

There is some talk of passing a bill which shall take away from the Governor the power of appointing certain officials and place it in the hands of the Legislature in joint meeting. But such a plan is very objectionable; and while it might secure some of the offices for the Republicans it would result in the selection of inferior men, and when the two houses were not in harmony would surely produce a dead-lock upon the question of joint meetings, and the public interests would suffer in consequence. It is a pleasant thing to be the victor and enjoy the rewards, but, in politics as well as the other affairs of life, it is better to consider the ultimate good than the present pleasure.

Public interest in matters relating to the Newark Savings Institution will now centre in the trial of Mr. Daniel Dodd upon an indictment found against him for investing money belonging to the bank in violation of the law governing such investments. This opens the real question whether the affairs of the bank were honestly managed. Mr. Dodd has always insisted that he acted in good faith, and that the misfortunes which have resulted from his errors have been such as might have happened to any institution. He had a right to make that investment, and he has a right to be esteemed innocent of any criminal intent until his innocence is proven, and it is time that the case was brought before a proper tribunal, in order that he may either be relieved from all suspicion, or may receive a deserved punishment if guilty.

The election of William M. Evans as United States Senator from New York will prove satisfactory to the great mass of Republicans throughout the country. Without disparagement to the other candidates it may be said that Mr. Evans is pre-eminently fitted for the position. His services as counsel in the impeachment proceedings of Andrew Johnson, before the Alabama Commission, and as Secretary of State under President Hayes, have given him a national reputation. The Senatorship may not be a greater honor than he has formerly enjoyed; it at least, gives him the opportunity for new service in what is just now an

inviting field. It also puts at rest the suspicion, which had been making headway, that ability is in some way a bar to public office. New York, as the commercial centre of the New World, should be worthily represented, and with Mr. Evans, we believe, she will be.

Our Cat.

The cat used to be domestic; now it is ambitious. The country farm-house in the olden time had on its walls a rude chromo of the family circle, with a dog under the table, and a cat contentedly sitting in the foreground. Now, newspaper offices boast of their cats—bold, marauding cats, with the voraciousness of a steam furnace, and the silence of a sphinx. The *Sua* has a cat; the *Tribune* has a cat, and country offices everywhere would like one of the same kind. These cats have the reputation—that is, among the Mugwumps—of devouring news. The printer's devil has retired to limbo, or has been transmigrated to a cat, with more lives than ever? The cat is usually good natured. Tied up with a pink ribbon about the neck he is the picture of meekness and piety. But at sight, crawling along the fence with a back like the profile of the Rocky Mountain Range, and tail like a saw-fil, his companionship is decidedly unpleasant. Beware how you molest him! His staring eyes, rising back, angry tail, his spits, meows, and desperate lunges, make unpleasant dreams.

Newspaper cats are sometimes cantankerous; hard to manage in their miscellaneousness; quick to escape, difficult to avoid; scratching, biting, tearing, and meowing—making night hideous and day sad in their effort to reform the universe and earn a living.

But our cat is not a marauding cat. He has no occasion to steal or beguiling. He will not rob the cupboard, nor accept food from the stranger. A good, respectable, independent cat, the picture of contentment and good living! He picks no quarrels with anybody; and when the boys in the office become over-heated, they just look at the cat quietly napping with his head bent, only needing to be spoken to to be ready for a frolic. Not lazy either! Oh, no. Our cat is a mouser. Enemies to the public crib flee away at his approach, or are consigned to destruction without mercy. He is knowing; can tell when he is beaten, and then he sits or plays with his tail until the gnawing begins again. Likes to be petted, too, so long as his fur is rubbed down, when it is rubbed the other way he slips up into a tree, and waits for the storm to blow over. Like Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, everybody likes him; the children cry for him, and it would do your heart good to see him rattle the pens and paper over the carpet. He never grows angry, or believes in pessimism, or thinks the world unduly sinful. In fact, he believes that two-thirds the salvation of the world would be accomplished if but the other third would lie on its stomach and witness his idea of contentment and happiness. He has ambition or he he wouldn't be a newspaper cat; but his ambition never leads him to fume and fret over any thing—certainly not over the follies and frivolities of mankind. As for politics, we should be better off if we had less of them. Hunger and avarice and jealousy have no place under his glossy coat. Behind his desk he sits and smiles, washes his face and combs his whiskers, as if half the world wasn't ready to scratch out the eyes of the remainder, and the best thing to do was to stay home o' nights and keep on the good side of the cook. A good, sensible, respectable cat!

An astronomer who believes that the science depends much upon photography estimates that it would take ten years to photograph the heavens.

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